

Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services 2020 Juvenile Detention Inspection - Compliance Report



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INTRODUCTION

The 2020 annual juvenile detention facility evaluations conducted by the IDOC, Division of Youth Services would normally consist of three on-site facility inspections; staff and youth interviews; and an audit of the state detention standards. Due to the covid-19 global pandemic, we conducted one on-site facility inspection, along with staff and youth interviews, an audit of the state detention standards, and conducted testing on the candlelight levels and ventilation in accordance to the standards requirement.

While the proposed Indiana Juvenile Detention Facility Standards are in the process of being promulgated, Detention Facilities had the option to be audited on three hundred one (301) current detention standards or the corresponding two hundred and thirty-seven (237) proposed juvenile detention facility standards.

Bartholomew County Youth Services Center chose to be audited on the two hundred and thirty-seven (237) proposed juvenile detention facility standards in 2020, for their 24th annual detention inspection. Of the two hundred and thirty-seven (237) standards audited, sixteen (16) standards require mandatory compliance and the remaining two hundred and twenty-one (221) are recommended standards. Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards and 90% of the recommended standards is required to attain "Full Compliance." Again, Centers that chose to be audited on the proposed detention standards were only required to meet the expectation of the current detention standards. Bartholomew County Youth Services Center chose to also provide documentation on the extra standards with exclusively new requirements. The breakdown of each audit listed below is only reflective of the current standards.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Facility county:	Bartholomew
Governing authority:	Bartholomew County Circuit Court
Name of facility administrator:	Anita Biehle
Detention Director:	Anita Biehle
Detention facility's mission:	<p>Our mission is to respond to the community's needs with a continuum of care, programming, services, and advocacy for minors under the jurisdiction of the court in settings that are safe for both the community and youth.</p> <p>We will treat each youth with respect and dignity, holding them to appropriate behavioral expectations through a system of rewards and consequences that are applied in a fair, firm and consistent manner which is conducive to their personal growth and development.</p>
Rated capacity:	16
Population during on-site visit:	1
Average daily population for the last 12 months:	8
Average length of stay for the last 12 months:	18 days
Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings):	None
Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system):	None
De-escalation techniques training:	The Mandt System
Physical force techniques training:	The Mandt System
Chemical agents permitted:	No
Name of food service provider:	Bartholomew County Youth Services Center
Name of food service supervisor:	Logan Freck
Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:	Brenda Korter, NP 1-2 hours per week/contract Chelsy Carr, LPN – 28 hours per week
Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:	Beth Maass BA Psychology
Education Services:	Detention education programming focuses on teaching young people about choices and consequences. Residents receive six hours of educational instruction at the Center year round, five days a week. The program of study is a general four

	<p>core subject course – Language Arts including reading, writing and vocabulary; mathematics, science and social studies including current events. Students may and are encouraged to receive and complete the required work assignments from the school that they are currently enrolled. The program offers remedial review for individual student needs relating to ISTEP and/or TASC. The education program also uses the Indiana Department of Education state standards as guidelines for curriculum and daily lesson plans.</p>
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Bartholomew County 2020 Audit

Standards	<u>All Mandatory Standards, Security Standards, and Training Plan (8-3-52)</u>
On-site Visit Conducted: August 3, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Fifty-One Total Standards Audited</u> • <u>16 Mandatory and 35 Recommended</u> • <u>1 Administration Standard, 7 Safety Standards, 23 Security Standards, 3 Food Service and Hygiene Standards, 15 Medical Standards, and 2 Mental Health Standards</u> • Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 • Number of Mandatory Standards in Compliance: 16 • Number of Recommended Standards in Compliance: 33
Auditors:	Rachel McCaffrey, Terrie Decker, and Kristin Herrmann (Inspection) Kristin Herrmann (Files)
Facility Tour:	The facility tour was conducted by Anita Biehler. This inspection focused on mandatory standards. Areas such as medical, janitorial closet, kitchen, visitation rooms, search areas, private interview rooms, youth rooms, youth living areas, personal and property areas, mechanical and safety areas were inspected. It was ensured that staff had access to the Emergency Manual.
Youth Interviews:	There was only one youth interviewed, because their population consisted only of that individual on the day of the inspection.
Youth Responses:	The youth interviewed confirmed that they felt safe at the facility and that it was a comfortable environment. They did comment on gnats being present, but this was addressed by the facility. The youth talked about fire drills being conducted. The youth had the suggestions of better underwear and deodorant.

Staff Interviews:	There was one line staff and one control officer interviewed.
Staff Responses:	The staff members were asked questions pertaining to emergency evacuations and drills. They both went through the process of the evacuation and explained that in the case of a disabled, incapacitated or high-security juveniles that there evacuation process was the same as the others. One staff member stated that the permanent log on the housing units contained information about all youth and their movements and activities. Both confirmed that medical screening was completed during each youth's intake. They both talked about the training given upon employment and the yearly training given.
Non-compliant Standards:	8-5-8 and 8-5-18
Recommended Action:	The non-compliant files were a result of three missed days of daily inspections and the absence of a date on an incident report.

Standards:	<u>Safety, Justice & Order, and Education Standards</u>
Desk Audit Conducted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>70 Total Recommended Standards Audited</u> • <u>27 Safety Standards, 37 Justice & Order Standards, and 6 Education Standards</u> • Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 • Number of Recommended Standards in Compliance: 67
Auditors:	Kristin Herrmann
Youth Interviews from August 3, 2020 On-Site Visit	There was only one youth interviewed, because their population consisted only of that individual on the day of the inspection.
Youth Responses:	The youth said that there were regular checks performed on them while in their rooms and that they were not confined in their room for a period less than 60 minutes. The youth stated that they understood the rules that are outlined in the facility handbook they have access to and found them fair. The youth feels good about the education program available and is working towards their GED/TASC.
Non-compliant Standards:	8-4-11, 8-4-13, and 8-4-15
Recommended Action:	The non-compliance of the files refer to an inadequate ratio of toilets to population and the lack of a toilet and sink in the youth's personal

	room, which results in non-compliance of not having the ability to utilize without staff assistance.
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Standards:	<u>Food Service & Hygiene, Medical, Mental Health, and Program Standards</u>
Desk Audit Conducted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Fifty-Three Total Standards Audited</u> • <u>16 Food Service & Hygiene Standards, 13 Medical Standards, 4 Mental Health Standards, and 20 Programs & Services Standards</u> • Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 • Number of Recommended Standards in Compliance: 53
Auditors:	Kristin Herrmann
Youth Interviews from August 3, 2020 On-Site Visit	There was only one youth interviewed, because their population consisted only of that individual on the day of the inspection.
Youth Responses:	The youth interviewed confirmed that they were given three meals and at regular times, but that they did not like the food. They shared that they received all items needed during intake, but the socks were “raggedy”. They went on to talk about medical and knowing how to contact medical and being seen by the nurse and their information being taken seriously and kept confidential.
Non-compliant Standards:	None
Recommended Action:	None

Standards:	<u>Administration Standards</u>
Desk Audit Conducted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Sixty-One Total Standards Audited</u> • <u>61 Administration Standards</u> • Number of Standards Not Applicable: 2 • Number of Recommended Standards in Compliance: 58
Auditor:	Kristin Herrmann
Non-compliant Standards:	8-3-75

<p>Recommended Action:</p>	<p>This file was shown in non-compliance, because there was no documentation showing that volunteers can make suggestions. It is recommended in the future to develop documentation to aid in the compliance of this standard.</p>
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Was the facility required to implement a corrective action plan as a result of the audit? **NO**/YES

CONCLUSION

Bartholomew County Youth Services Center chose to be audited on the proposed standards, which corresponds with the current (301) detention standards and received a score of 100% compliance with the mandatory standards and 96.77% of the recommended standards.

The facility received a separate scoresheet indicating their level of compliance with the new proposed detention standards.

Therefore, Bartholomew County Youth Services Center is in compliance with the 2020 Indiana Detention Center Standards Audit performed by the Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services. A certificate of compliance will accompany this report, which becomes public information ten (10) days from the date of mailing.

Please contact me at (812) 929-3980 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Terrie Decker, DYS, Executive Director of Youth Services
Honorable Kelly Benjamin, Circuit Court
Anita Biehle, Director
pursuant to 210 IAC 8-1-5(f)
File